

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 2697 - HB 2890**

February 4, 2012

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Redefines “violent offender” relative to drug court treatment program eligibility and authorizes a person who has been charged with, but not convicted of, a violent felony offense or does not have a history or pattern of violent misdemeanor offenses to participate in a treatment program.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Under current law, a violent offender is a person charged with or convicted of an offense during the course of which the person carried, possessed, or used a firearm or dangerous weapon; there occurred the death of or serious bodily injury to any person; or there occurred the use of force against the person of another regardless of whether those factors constitute an element of the charged or convicted offense.
- Redefining violent offender may increase or decrease the number of offenders eligible to participate in the drug court treatment program but it will not result in a significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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